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# SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE

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## NOTICE OF MEETING

**DATE:** Thursday, May 6, 2021

**TIME:** 5:00 PM

**PLACE:** Virtual Meeting via WebEx

## SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

**Senate Bill No. [25](#)**

**BY ~~Seveney, Acosta, Anderson, Calkin~~**

**~~ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS --~~**

**~~NONREGULATED POWER PRODUCER CONSUMER BILL OF RIGHTS {LC383/1} (Excludes municipal and government bodies that aggregate electrical loads for residential retail customers from the requirement that a new contract is required when there is a change of terms for electric-generation services.)~~**

~~01/19/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce~~

~~04/02/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration~~

~~04/08/2021 Committee recommended measure be held for further study~~

~~04/30/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration~~

**Senate Bill No. [203](#)**

**BY Picard**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- CLAIMS ADJUSTERS {LC1660/1}**

(Authorizes department of insurance, within the DBR, in lieu of passing in-state licensing examination, to recognize the competence of an applicant for an insurance claims adjuster license, through an out-of-state proctored examination.)

02/10/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce

04/30/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [204](#)**

**BY Anderson, DiMario, Calkin, Mendes, Valverde, Murray, Picard**

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- PUBLIC**

**UTILITIES COMMISSION {LC843/1} (Requires that electrical distribution companies submit a time of use rate plan to the PUC setting forth high and on-demand times. The time of use rate plans are to be implemented on or before January 1, 2022.)**

02/10/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce

04/30/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [339](#)**

**BY Sosnowski, Valverde, Coyne**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- APPLIANCE AND EQUIPMENT ENERGY AND WATER EFFICIENCY STANDARDS ACT OF 2021 {LC1650/1} (Establishes minimum energy and water efficiency standards for appliances and specified equipment purchased or installed after January 1, 2023.)

02/25/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce

04/30/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [452](#)**

**BY Raptakis, Rogers, Archambault, Paolino, de la Cruz**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- UTILITY DISTRICT ENERGY COSTS {LC2104/1} (Requires the state to pay the energy costs necessary to supply public street lighting if the local utility district fails to do so.)

03/04/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce

04/30/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [570](#)**

(Governor)

**BY DiPalma, Euer, Sosnowski, McCaffrey, Goodwin, Pearson, Picard, Seveney**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- DUTIES OF UTILITIES AND CARRIERS {LC303/1} (Requires every electric distribution company and natural gas distribution company to submit to the division of public utilities and carriers an emergency response plan for review and approval.)

03/11/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce

04/30/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [631](#)**

**BY F Lombardi**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- CREDIT FOR REINSURANCE ACT {LC1615/1} (Updates the credit for reinsurance chapter of the general laws to conform to the current standard set by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC).)

03/18/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce

04/30/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [632](#)**

**BY DiMario, Valverde**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- QUONSET DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION {LC2490/1} (Authorizes the Quonset development corporation to borrow up to one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for operational purposes, the debt would not be a debt of the state and would be secured only by the Quonset development corporation's assets.)

03/18/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce

04/30/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [787](#)**

**BY Ruggerio, McCaffrey, Goodwin**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF COMMERCE {LC2329/1} (Creates a deputy secretary of commerce and housing within the executive office of commerce to oversee housing initiatives and develop a housing plan.)

04/08/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce

04/30/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [789](#)**

(Secretary of State)

**BY Archambault, Pearson**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS -- RHODE ISLAND BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT {LC2202/1} (Requires that annual reports of domestic and foreign business corporations, nonprofit corporations, and limited liability companies be filed with the secretary of state between February 1 and May 1 of each year.)

04/08/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce

04/30/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**The State House continues to be closed to the public at this time.**

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**TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL**

Written testimony is encouraged and can be submitted to the committee by emailing it to: [slegislation@rilegislature.gov](mailto:slegislation@rilegislature.gov)

\*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 2:00 PM on Thursday, May 6, 2021, in order for it to be provided to the members of the committee at the hearing and to be included in the meeting records.

Members of the public can request to provide verbal testimony to the committee through the following link: [VERBAL TESTIMONY](#)

**\*Requests to provide verbal testimony must be submitted by 4:00 PM on Wednesday, May 5, 2021.**

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